

“It has been a privilege to hold the position of an Associate Justice for these more than 21 years. I revere the Court’s importance in our constitutional structure, and I have striven to uphold the Court’s independence and esteem during my service. I have thoroughly enjoyed working with the many members of the Court with whom I have served, and the three extraordinary Chief Justices who have led the Court during my period of service: Chief Poritz, Chief Zazzali, and now our current Chief Justice, the Honorable Stuart Rabner.

But, after spending almost my entire professional career – more than 40 years – in public service in various legal and policy positions within the Executive Branch and then the Supreme Court, I have decided after much reflection that it is time for a change.

After a little rest and relaxation, I plan to assess what new professional opportunities may lie ahead, including service to the community. Also, I would like to have more flexibility in my personal life. Most of all I want the flexibility to be able to enjoy more time with my family, including my extended family, who live in many parts of the country.”